

never been touched. The new railroad will make it available. In connection with copper and the supposed indication which the presence of certain plants are said to give of the existence of metals, it may be mentioned that only here and at Cobre had he met with the cycad *Zamia*. It may only be a coincidence.

While in Cobre he received specimens of chromite said to have come from the neighborhood of Holguine. The deposit was not seen.

The speaker said in conclusion that he desired to return thanks for the courtesies he had received from the many Americans and natives he had met while collecting and studying on the island.

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DECEMBER 23.

Mr. ARTHUR ERWIN BROWN, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Ten persons present.

A paper entitled "On the Terrestrial Vertebrates of Portions of Southern New Mexico and Western Texas," by Witmer Stone and James A. G. Rehn, was presented for publication.

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DECEMBER 30.

The President, SAMUEL G. DIXON, M.D., in the Chair.

Thirty-six persons present.

The following were ordered to be printed: